

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA
SEPTEMBER 19, 2012**

A meeting of the Common Council of the City of Jasper, Indiana, was held on Wednesday, September 19, 2012, in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 610 Main Street, Jasper, Indiana.

Call to Order. Presiding Officer Mayor Terry Seitz called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Roll Call.

Clerk-Treasurer Juanita S. Boehm called the roll.

Mayor Terry Seitz	Present
Council members:	
Gregory Schnarr	Present
David Prechtel	Present
Thomas Schmidt	Present
Earl Schmitt	Present
Kevin Manley	Present
Randall Buchta	Present
Raymond Howard	Present
City Attorney Renee Kabrick	Present
Clerk-Treasurer Juanita S. Boehm	Present

Clerk-Treasurer Boehm announced that in order to have a quorum for the meeting, a majority of the council members must be in attendance. All of the seven council members were in attendance; therefore, there was a quorum for the meeting.

Approval of the Minutes.

The following minutes were distributed to and examined by the Council:

1. August 22, 2012, regular Common Council meeting
2. August 29, 2012 special meeting-relative's contract disclosure statement
3. September 7, 2012 budget public hearing
4. September 10, 2012 joint special meeting with the Utility Service Board-Third Avenue project
5. September 12, 2012 special meeting-designate ERA for Kimball tax abatement request

A **motion** was made by Council member David Prechtel and seconded by Council member Kevin Manley to approve the five sets of minutes as presented. Motion carried 7-0.

Boy Scouts. Eric Hedinger, Assistant Scout Master, with 15 boy scouts and leaders from Boy Scout Troop 185 was present. Hedinger said the scouts are working on a citizenship in the community merit badge and are here to learn how

local government works.

**Resolution No. 2012-11 A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
CONFIRMING THE DESIGNATION OF A PORTION OF THE CITY OF
JASPER AS AN ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA AND
APPROVING A STATEMENT OF BENEFITS**

Meyer Distributing, Inc.

This resolution confirms the economic revitalization area and approves the statement of benefits for Meyer Distributing Inc.

A motion was made by Council member Thomas Schmidt and seconded by Council member Raymond Howard to consider the resolution for one reading only. Motion carried 7-0. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Gregory Schnarr and seconded by Council member Earl Schmitt to have the resolution read by title only. Motion carried 7-0. City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read the resolution. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Kevin Manley and seconded by Council member Thomas Schmidt to pass and adopt Resolution No. 2012-11. Motion carried 7-0.

**Resolution No. 2012-13 A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL
REVOKING ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA DESIGNATION
AND REPEALING RESOLUTION NO. 2011-14 ENTITLED A
RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL DESIGNATING A
PORTION OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA, AS AN ECONOMIC
REVITALIZATION AREA AND RESOLUTION NO. 2011-16 ENTITLED
A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL CONFIRMING THE
DESIGNATION OF A PORTION OF THE CITY OF JASPER AS AN
ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA AND APPROVING A
STATEMENT OF BENEFITS**

(12 10 VENTURES, LLC & STENS, LLC)

This resolution repeals resolutions that designated and confirmed an economic revitalization area and approved a property tax abatement schedule in 2011 for 1210 Ventures LLC and for Stens LLC.

A motion was made by Council member David Prechtel and seconded by Council member Earl Schmitt to consider the resolution for one reading only. Motion carried 7-0. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Gregory Schnarr and seconded by Council member Randall Buchta to have the resolution read by title only. Motion carried 7-0. City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read the resolution. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Randall Buchta and seconded by Council member Thomas Schmidt to pass and adopt Resolution No. 2012-13. Motion carried 7-0.

City Attorney Renee Kabrick said in 2011 Stens LLC and 12 10 Ventures LLC submitted tax abatement applications. The project has changed to a different location; therefore, the resolutions regarding that abatement are being revoked.

Property tax abatement request from Stens LLC and Haddad Properties. A property tax abatement application for real property was submitted by Haddad Properties Ltd Partners and an application for personal property was submitted by Stens LLC. Kevin Mair, VP Operations and Supply Chain for Stens LLC, presented the project which is located at 1919 Hospitality Drive at the former Columbus Container building. There will be about 40,000 sq ft of office space added to the building. Mair said they will be adding about 98 employees.

Resolution No. 2012-12 A RESOLUTION OF THE COMMON COUNCIL DESIGNATING A PORTION OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA, AS AN ECONOMIC REVITALIZATION AREA

This resolution designates an economic revitalization area for the Stens LLC tax abatement proposal.

A motion was made by Council member Thomas Schmidt and seconded by Council member David Prechtel to consider the resolution for one reading only. Motion carried 7-0. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Gregory Schnarr and seconded by Council member Earl Schmitt to have the resolution read by title only. Motion carried 7-0. City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read the resolution. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Earl Schmitt and seconded by Council member Kevin Manley to pass and adopt Resolution No. 2012-12. Motion carried 7-0.

Utility Service Board. General Manager of Utilities Gerald ‘Bud’ Hauersperger gave a report on the regular monthly Utility Service Board meeting held on September 17, 2012. Copies of the minutes are supplied to each council member.

Ordinance No. 2012-27 AN ORDINANCE AFFIXING SALARIES AND WAGES FOR THE ELECTED OFFICIALS AND THE CIVIL CITY EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA FOR THE YEAR 2013

This ordinance sets compensation rates for the elected officials and the civil city employees for the year 2013.

A motion was made by Council member David Prechtel and seconded by Council member Randall Buchta to consider the ordinance for one reading only. Motion carried 7-0. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Randall Buchta and seconded by Council member Gregory Schnarr to have the ordinance read by title only. Motion carried 7-0. City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read the ordinance. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Earl Schmitt and seconded by Council member David Prechtel to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2012-27. Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance No. 2012-28 AN ORDINANCE AFFIXING SALARIES AND WAGES FOR THE UTILITY EMPLOYEES OF THE CITY OF

JASPER, INDIANA, FOR THE YEAR 2013

This ordinance sets compensation rates for the utility employees for the year 2013.

A motion was made by Council member Randall Buchta and seconded by Council member Thomas Schmidt to consider the ordinance for one reading only. Motion carried 7-0. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Randall Buchta and seconded by Council member Gregory Schnarr to have the ordinance read by title only. Motion carried 7-0. City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read the ordinance. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Thomas Schmidt and seconded by Council member Earl Schmitt to pass and adopt Ordinance No. 2012-28. Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance No. 2012-23 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING ADDITIONAL MONEY FOR THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA, FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2012

This ordinance appropriates money for various departments for the remainder of 2012 that was discussed during the budget hearing.

A notice to taxpayers appeared in the Herald on August 27, 2012. The notice was also posted at city hall.

Mayor Seitz asked for public comments. No comments were received.

The ordinance was introduced with 1st reading on August 22, 2012.

A motion was made by Council member David Prechtel and seconded by Council member Raymond Howard to read the ordinance by title only on second reading. Motion carried 7-0. City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read the ordinance. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Thomas Schmidt and seconded by Council member Earl Schmitt to approve the ordinance on second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Council member Gregory Schnarr and seconded by Council member Kevin Manley to have the ordinance read on third and final reading by title only. Motion carried 7-0. City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read the ordinance. A motion was made by Council member Raymond Howard and seconded by Council member Randall Buchta to approve Ordinance No. 2012-23 on the third and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance No. 2012-24 AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA, FOR THE YEAR 2013

This ordinance appropriates money for the 2013 budget.

The ordinance was introduced with 1st reading on August 22, 2012. A public hearing was held on September 7, 2012

A motion was made by Council member David Prechtel and seconded by Council member Earl Schmitt to read the ordinance by title only on second reading.

Motion carried 7-0. City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read the ordinance. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Thomas Schmidt and seconded by Council member Randall Buchta to approve the ordinance on second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Council member Gregory Schnarr and seconded by Council member Earl Schmitt to have the ordinance read on third and final reading by title only. Motion carried 7-0. City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read the ordinance. A motion was made by Council member David Prechtel and seconded by Council member Thomas Schmidt to approve Ordinance No. 2012-24 on the third and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

Ordinance No. 2012-25 AN ORDINANCE LEVYING TAXES AND FIXING THE RATE OF TAXATION FOR THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2013

This ordinance sets the advertised tax rate for 2013 at .9048. This ordinance was introduced with 1st reading on August 22, 2012.

A motion was made by Council member Gregory Schnarr and seconded by Council member Randall Buchta to read the ordinance by title only on second reading. Motion carried 7-0. City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read the ordinance. Thereafter, a motion was made by Council member Earl Schmitt and seconded by Council member Thomas Schmidt to approve the ordinance on second reading. Motion carried 7-0.

A motion was made by Council member Gregory Schnarr and seconded by Council member Earl Schmitt to have the ordinance read on third and final reading by title only. Motion carried 7-0. City Attorney Renee Kabrick so read the ordinance. A motion was made by Council member Thomas Schmidt and seconded by Council member Randall Buchta to approve Ordinance No. 2012-25 on the third and final reading. Motion carried 7-0.

Master plan. Mayor Seitz said tonight the council approved an appropriation for a master plan for the downtown area. This plan would probably include the property near the former Jasper Cabinet building.

Grant application update. Mayor Seitz said Region 15 received information regarding the City's grant application to remove certain property from a flood plain area. The State has a few questions. One issue was that the cost of the sand bags was not high enough.

Adjournment. There being no further business to come before the board, a motion was made by Council member Thomas Schmidt and seconded by Council member Randall Buchta to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried 7-0 and the meeting adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

The minutes were hereby approved _____ with X without corrections or clarification this 17th day of October, 2012.

Mayor Terry Seitz
Presiding Officer

Attest:

Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Treasurer